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NOTICE OF FILING OF MOTION TO CONSIDER WHETHER CASES SHOULD BE RELATED

On February 7, 2008, defendant Yerba Buena Engineering & Construction, Inc. filed an Administrative Motion to Consider Whether Cases Should be Related. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of said motion.

Date: February 7, 2008

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On the date last written below, I served the following documents:

NOTICE OF FILING OF ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION TO CONSIDER WHETHER CASES SHOULD BE RELATED PURSUANT TO LOCAL RULE 3-12

By placing true and correct copies thereof:

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Dated: February 15, 2008

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Administrative Motion to Consider Whether Cases Should be Related

Yerba Buena Engineering, et al., Case No. CV 07 05912 JL (the "AAA Action"), moves for an examination by this Court to determine whether the AAA Action and the action of Ferguson Fire and Fabrication v. Yerba Buena Engineering, et al., Case No. C 07-04294 WDB (the "Ferguson Action"), should be considered "related cases" within the meaning of Local Rule 3-12.

# II. Discussion

- 2. Yerba Buena, as general contractor, contracted with the United States Park Services (Public Contract No. 8147050044) to perform certain construction work on the public work of improvement commonly known as the Alcatraz Island Fire Protection Improvement Project (the "Project"). Yerba Buena subcontracted with AAA Restaurant Fire Control, Inc. ("AAA"), for AAA to provide materials and services for, among other things, the installation of fire sprinklers on the Project. AAA subcontracted with Ferguson Fire & Fabrication, Inc. ("Ferguson") for Ferguson to provide materials to AAA for installation on the Project.
- 3. Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America ("Travelers") provided Payment Bond No. 104611873 (the "Payment Bond") to the Project for its principal, Yerba Buena.
- 4. On or about August 21, 2007, Ferguson filed this Miller Act complaint on the Payment Bond against Yerba Buena and Travelers. The action relates entirely to materials Ferguson supplied to AAA for the Project and the Payment Bond provided by Travelers. On or about November 8, 2007, dismissal was entered in this action.
- 5. On or about November 21, 2007, AAA filed a Miller Act complaint on the Payment Bond, also against Yerba Buena and Travelers. This action relates entirely to the alleged work and materials provided by AAA to the Project. AAA also asserts a cause of action for breach of contract and negligence.
- 6. Both the Ferguson Action and the AAA Action involve substantially the same parties as both actions name only Yerba Buena and Travelers as defendants.

7. Both the Ferguson Action and the AAA Action involve work and materials provided to the same project, the Alcatraz Island Fire Improvement Project.

- 8. Both the Ferguson Action and the AAA Action make a claim against the same Payment Bond provided by Travelers to the Project.
- 9. Both actions may involve significantly the same evidence in the form of documents and deposition as they pertain to the scope of work of AAA and materials supplied by AAA and/or Ferguson to the Project.

### III. Conclusion

10. Yerba Buena Engineering & Construction, Inc., therefore respectfully requests that this Court make a determination that the case of AAA Restaurant Fire Control v. Yerba Buena Engineering, et al., Case No. CV 07 05912 JL (the "AAA Action") and the case of Ferguson Fire and Fabrication v. Yerba Buena Engineering, et al., Case No. C 07-04294 WDB, are "related cases" within the meaning of Local Rule 3-12.

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2. That the action entitled AAA Restaurant Fire Control v. Yerba Buena Engineering, et al., Case No. CV 07 05912 JL, is not related to this present action within the meaning of Civil L.R. 3-12(a). Accordingly, no change in case assignment will be made.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED:

Honorable Wayne D. Brazil United States District Judge

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